

FWP27b

IMPORTANT THEMES TO EMERGE FROM PREPARING LBA/EIA ABSTRACTS (RJ - 17/06/95)

- Clearance of the landscape - when, why and for how long?
- Long Linear ditches - when, why and for how long?
- Nature and patterns of local subsistence?
- Prestige goods or feasting - Rowlands 1980 'v' Barrett et al 1991.
- Is FYFOD part of a surrounding local identity?
- Did ODX/XI have a place in local hierarchy?
- Can a new model of LBA-EIA change be established which avoids the predictable "evolutionary" approach? (c.f. Gingell, Barrett et al) i.e. People are always optimising.
- Are sites self-sufficient units as Drewett claims and Gingell hints at?
- Is there a FYFOD correlation between changes in settlement and the changing landscape, as Gingell suggests for the whole of the Marlborough Downs?
- What was the significance of the low valley ground in subsistence systems? Most sources fail to approach this topic or categorise it in a marginal position.
- Of the environmental/social/economic factors, which played the most vital part in change?